

BOMB CRITIC "SCARED"

No man alive has worked longer in a high-level capacity to combat the "international insanity" of the nuclear arms race than has William Epstein.

And "for the first time in a quarter of a century I am beginning to get scared," he said in an interview in his new History Department office.

Professor Epstein had just arrived from a round of European conferences on controlling nuclear proliferation to begin teaching two undergraduate courses — one on Canadian external policy and the other on arms control.

But once a month, for a week, he'll fly to United Nations in New York in his present roles as Special Consultant on Disarmament to the Secretary-General and as Special Fellow in the UN Institute for Training and Research.

Professor Epstein, a Canadian who had been Director of the Disarmament Division of the UN Secretariat since 1951, is taking on, in his semi-retirement, his first teaching job so as "to spread the gospel of arms control".

He said public opinion has to be aroused as the big powers develop more sophisticated nuclear weapons and as more countries come into possession of the bomb.

"The world is very much more a dangerous place," with India the latest in setting off "a peaceful explosion", possibly to be followed by Pakistan, Argentina, South Africa, Israel, Egypt, Brazil, Indonesia, Iran and Spain and others — most of whom have been getting nuclear reactors from the Big Powers.

"I feel nervous about even the U.S. and Russia having the bomb, but I get positively frightened by the prospect of another 15 or more countries having it."

The danger is not only that a disaster will happen by design but also "by accident or miscalculation or misinterpretation of orders or by sheer madness".

He said there is a growing feeling of frustration in the UN but there is still a



The University's new president, Dr. Howard Petch, made his first official visit to the campus recently. During his four-day stay he attended a Board of Governors' meeting, a Faculty Club reception, and held meetings with representatives of Administration, Faculty and students. Here he talks during a press conference, outlining some of his plans for UVic when he assumes office on January 1. Dr. Petch said he is "an open person by nature" and favors open meetings of the Board of Governors. He said he hopes to work on building an atmosphere beneficial to scholarly pursuit, and to continue the move toward making the University strongly oriented to community service. Before thinking in terms of new faculties or programmes, he said the next few years should stress stabilizing recent growth of the University.

hope for "a last chance to reverse the arms race and return to international sanity."

There have been a dozen arms control treaties in the last ten years "but the arms race merrily (or tragically) goes along" with more than \$250 billion wasted every

year. And this massive military expenditure is one of the reasons behind international inflation and the maintenance of world poverty.

Professor Epstein places most of the blame on the Big Powers.

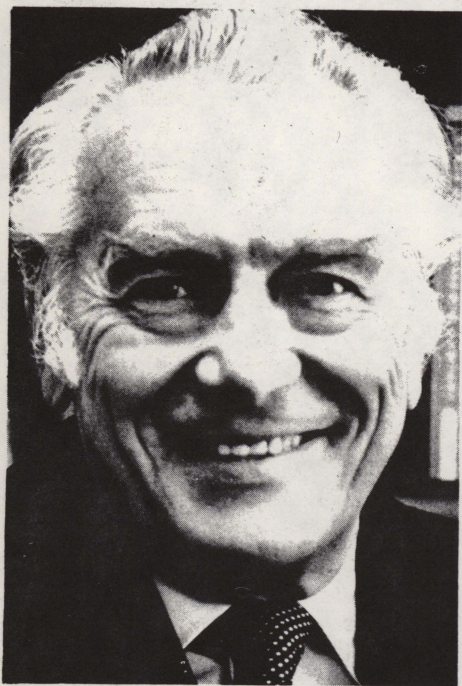
He said they have to lead the way by stopping all their tests and by ending vertical proliferation, that is, developing more sophisticated weapons and better ways of deploying them.

"They have got to replace the ethic of the arms race with the ethic of arms control and disarmament."

If peaceful explosions must be carried out it should only be under the control of an international regime. "However, I see no sensible reason whatsoever in these so-called peaceful explosions."

Professor Epstein said the arms race seems to be inspired by a need for security and prestige, but for anyone who is sane it has to be as incomprehensible as cancer.

He said the only real security can be in international agreements in arms control



WILLIAM EPSTEIN
... world "dangerous"

and by making the UN work.

He said the Big Powers are still trying to tranquilize the world with their treaties.

The recent threshold test ban treaty between the U.S. and Russia "is a mockery, a major setback". The treaty, which goes into effect on April 1, 1976, "is really an April Fool's Day joke".

The treaty bans explosions over 150 kilotons, but 80 per cent of all tests in the last six years have been under this. The bombs which wiped out Nagasaki and Hiroshima had a power of "merely" between 15 and 20 kilotons.

STUDENT JOB DRIVES

The Canada Manpower On-Campus Office, together with the University Administration, is implementing a variety of new methods to increase employment opportunities for students.

The moves, which include the development of a comprehensive careers orientation programme and a national promotion scheme to step up on-campus job recruitment, are the outcome of recommendations made to J.T. Matthews, Dean of Administration, by a committee on Campus Manpower.

The committee, under Dr. Horace Beach, Director of the Counselling Centre, recommended:

- That a careers committee be established to advise and assist in the career development and placement of students, and that it be made up of representatives from Administration, Faculty, Student Counselling, Canada Manpower, the student body, and from the business community.

- That a comprehensive and effective careers orientation programme for students in all years be developed, and involve Faculty, the Counselling Centre, the Advising Centres, the Financial Aid Office, the Registrar's Office, Student Health Services, and student leaders.

- That the University expand development of provincially and federally funded career-oriented employment projects in programmes like Child Care, Social Welfare, Nursing, and Education with the object being to integrate learning and work experience and to relate more aspects of University education to the community.

- That employers in the province and nation be sought out and invited to visit and recruit students here.

Frank Schroeder, Officer-in-Charge of Campus Manpower, said recruitment promotion has begun with the mailing of 450 information kits to employers across Canada, with already some response, most notably General Motors which will recruit here for the first time in January.

He said as another way to create employer awareness of UVic, Jim Horne, an Alma Mater Society field worker, worked this summer in making contacts with major employers in the province.

"He found that many employers weren't aware of the status of UVic. They thought of it as a junior college."

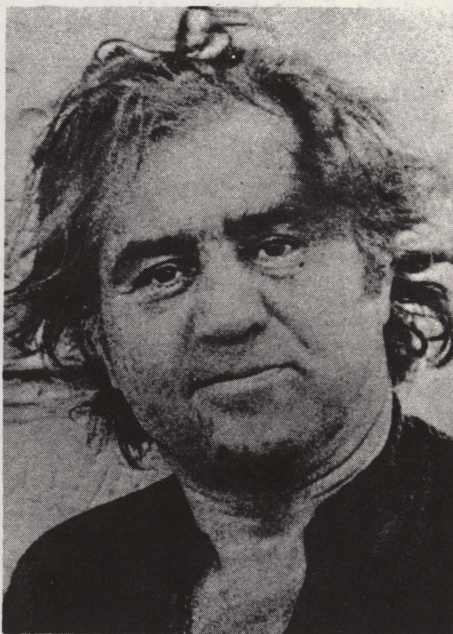
Mr. Schroeder said the big demand by business is for persons with technical training, such as engineering and business administration ("a red hot item"), and such courses are not taught here.

But there are strong indications that "general arts and science courses are becoming more acceptable by the business community."

He said the new Careers Committee should have a major impact in developing five-way communication among students, Faculty, Administration, Manpower and the business community.

Mr. Schroeder said he is looking forward to when Waterloo's Academic Vice-President, Dr. Howard Petch, assumes office as UVic's new President. "Waterloo leads the way among Canadian universities in providing programmes for on-the-job training of students."

UVic's Administration recently had Manpower's office in V Building renovated, and Mr. Schroeder said he will soon have "a careers room" set up where students can browse through job descriptions, annual reports and the literature of various companies.



IRVING LAYTON
... controversial

NOTED POET COMING

Canada's controversial poet Irving Layton will give a reading at the University of Victoria on Wednesday, October 2.

Robin Skelton, Chairman of the Creative Writing Department, which is sponsoring

the event, said "we are delighted that we have been able to get Layton to open what looks like our most ambitious season of readings. There is no doubt that he is probably the most stimulating contemporary Canadian poet."

The reading, Mr. Layton's first here, will be at 4:30 p.m. in Elliott 168, and is free and open to the public and the University community.

The reading is one of a series sponsored by the Canada Council at the University this year. Mr. Layton will be reading from his recently-published book "The Pole Vaulter."

FAST LUNCH FOR STAFF

A special fast lunch service for staff and faculty has been established in the Commons Block Green Room.

John Watson, Food Services Manager, said that after many meetings with representatives from all departments on campus "we have decided to try and provide a hot lunch in a hurry for staff who are finding it very difficult on a limited lunch hour to get served in our busy coffee shop."

Until Mr. Watson has an idea of how much the service will be used, the selection will be limited. It will include soup, main course, vegetables, dessert, and a beverage for a package price of about \$1.25. Hours will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except on holidays.

SUBURBAN EXPERT TO TALK

Dr. Susan Leeson, Chairman of the Municipal Boundary Commission in Salem, Oregon, will deliver a lecture here on October 2 sponsored by the University Lectures Committee and the Department of Political Science.

The topic will be "The Development of Municipal Government in the United States". The lecture will be at 3:30 p.m. in Cornett 373.

Dr. Leeson, who is also Director of the Programme in Urban and Regional Government at Willamette University, specializes in urban and regional government, especially annexation policies and alternative methods of governing urban areas.



UVic students fresh back from Yugoslavia: Caroline Plavetic, left, and Viviana Dujela, who is sporting a traditional folk hat.

YUGOSLAVIAN SUBMERSION

There is only one way to learn a language effectively and that is to submerge oneself into the country where it is spoken.

It is the most exciting way, too, as UVic students Caroline Plavetic (Education) and Viviana Dujela (Slavonic Studies) found out this summer.

They were the only two Canadians selected by the Yugoslavian Government to take part in a three-week seminar on Croatian organized by Zabrebačka Slavistička Škola.

Both students could understand but not speak Croatian well when they left in early July, and now on their recent return they are fluent in it, says Dr. Zelimir B. Juricic, their Serbo-Croatian professor in the Slavonic Department.

About 130 students and scholars, mainly from Slavist countries, attended the annual seminar which was held in Zagreb and Dubrovnik.

The two Victorians also attended a three-week seminar on Macedonian at Skopje, which was sponsored by the University of Cyril Methodius.

The highlight of the trip was "meeting people from all over," said Miss Dujela, who now wants to live in Yugoslavia for a year.

"If you were at home you couldn't be treated better than we were by the

Yugoslavs."

Miss Plavetic, in her first visit to the homeland since early childhood, noted "the total willingness of the people to communicate."

Both had opportunity to visit relatives in Yugoslavia and enough spare time to travel throughout most of the country.

Dr. Juricic said he is going to seek funding from the Provincial Government which will help enable students to spend a year in Yugoslavia as an effective follow-up to their classroom knowledge. This might also entail receiving transferable credits to Canadian universities.

"A person picks up so much in speaking a language in the country where it is spoken," he said.

This was the second straight year, through Dr. Juricic's efforts, that UVic students have received these scholarships.

FELLOWSHIP WINNERS

Brian Ryley, who graduated this year from UVic with honours in Fine Arts, has been awarded a Rotary International Fellowship and will probably begin work towards his M.F.A. at Yale next year. His home town is Cranbrook.



Thanks to St. Andrew's Lodge No. 49 A.F. & A.M. the University now has a katsura tree (*Cercidiphyllum japonicum*) in the circular flower bed between Clearihue Building and McPherson Library. Here Worshipful Master Lyle Wicks, right, of St. Andrew's Lodge, and his counterpart Allen Raney of Daniel Bagley Lodge No. 238 of Seattle officially plant the tree during a ceremony on September 21 attended by 70 members of both lodges and J.T. Matthews, Dean of Administration, and Maurice Cownden, Director of University Relations. Judge Joseph Clearihue, after whom the Clearihue Building was named, was also present as a member of St. Andrew's. The katsura tree, a hardy Japanese species introduced to this continent about 1865, can grow to a height of 100 feet over many years.

CHAMBER RECITALS

The first of this year's six recitals by the Faculty Chamber will be on September 29

at 4 p.m. at MacLaurin 144.

Works performed will be by Leclair, Hindemith, Nielsen, and Mozart.

All tickets are \$1 and will be available at the door.

BADMINTON STARTS

The Faculty and Staff Badminton Club has begun its weekly sessions Tuesday nights from 8 to 10:50 at the Gymnasium. Admission is 50 cents per person. Enquiries should be directed to R.E. Stevens, Local 664.

FACULTY NEWS

ENGLISH

Dr. Lionel Adey has had an essay entitled "Enjoyment, Contemplation and Hierarchy in Hamlet" accepted for inclusion in a volume of essays honouring Owen Barfield to be published by Wesleyan University Press in 1975.

COUNSELLING

The Counselling Centre has added two new counsellors to its staff, Director Dr. Horace Beach has announced.

They are Dr. Joel Newman, from the Oregon College of Education, and Dr. Robert Willihnganz, formerly of the universities of Texas and Calgary. Both have their doctorates in Counselling Psychology.

Dr. Beach said the new appointments

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mean the Centre has expanded from four to five counsellors.

Miss Phyllis Cowan left this summer to work in the Queen Charlotte Islands.

COMING EVENTS

MONDAY, September 30

- 4pm Seminar, Department of Biology. Cunningham 1018. Speaker: Dr. Y. Edwards or Dr. B. Foster, Provincial Museum.
- 4:30pm Flag Football. 'P' Hut Rugby Field.
- 8:15pm Lecture, University Extension Association. Elliott 168. A Classical Subject — Malcolm F. McGregor, Professor and Head of Department of Classics, University of British Columbia.

TUESDAY, October 1

- 7:30pm Seminar, Department of Bacteriology and Biochemistry. Clearihue 267. John Pennington, Graduate Student, Biochemistry, will speak on Introduction to Bioenergetics.
- 8pm Badminton, Faculty and Staff. Gymnasium.

WEDNESDAY, October 2

- 4:30pm Poetry Reading. Elliott 167. Irving Layton.
- 7:30pm Senate Meeting. Cornett 112.

THURSDAY, October 3

- 12:30pm Soccer.
- 7:30pm Volleyball, Co-Ed. Gymnasium.
- 9:40pm Cinecenta films. MacLaurin 144. Vittorio de Sica's "Umberto" (Italy 1952).

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